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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Merced – Suspected Gang Members Arrested after Guns and Illicit Drugs Found in Home

(U) Cheng Her, 35, and Tou Xiong, 28--both suspected gang members--were arrested by officers with the Merced Police Gang Violence Suppression Unit for illegal possession of two semi-automatic handguns and illicit drugs. Her and Xiong both have criminal records prohibiting their possession of firearms and illicit drugs and were booked on appropriate charges.

SOURCE: 9 November 2020, Merced Sun Star

(U) Soledad – Gang-Affiliated Inmate Stabbed to Death by Cellmate

(U) Isaac McCuan, a 40-year-old gang-affiliated inmate, was stabbed to death and prison authorities suspect his cellmate, Juan Hernandez - who is also a gang-affiliated inmate. McCuan was admitted in 2013 to serve life with the possibility of parole for a first-degree murder. His conviction carried a sentencing enhancement for being a member of a street gang. Hernandez, also a gang member, is serving life without parole for first-degree murder. He also entered the prison in 2013. SOURCE: 9 November 2020, KCRA News

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Arizona – Customs and Border Patrol Agents Detect Cross-Border Drone Smuggling Illicit Drugs

(U) Yuma – US Customs and Border Patrol agents assisted in the arrest of two US citizens on 5 November, after they picked up multiple packages of illicit drugs that were dropped by a drone coming from Mexico. Agents observed the drone dropping multiple packages, which contained methamphetamine, and detained the two subjects near the residence where the drugs were dropped. Police seized about 25 pounds of methamphetamine with an estimated street value of \$225,000. SOURCE: 9 November 2020, The Desert Review

(U) NATIONAL

(U) New York - NYPD Officer Arrested in Operation Targeting a Cocaine Trafficking Ring

(U) New York – Amaury Abreu, an officer assigned to the 113th Precinct in Queens, was among four people arrested yesterday for being part of an international cocaine trafficking ring that shipped more than 350 kilograms of illicit drugs into the United States, according to federal prosecutors. Authorities accused Abreu and his accomplices with importing the cocaine into the United States by sending drug couriers on flights, through the mail, on tractor trailers from Mexico, and concealed within commercial produce shipments. Abreu used his position as a police officer to protect his co-conspirators by providing information about law enforcement procedures, performing warrant checks from the NYPD arrest database, and on at least one occasion distributing cocaine for an organized criminal group. SOURCE: 9 November 2020, Long Island Press

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(U) Oregon – White Supremacist Prison Gang Members Arrested

(U) Josephine County – A seven-month-long investigation ended last week with the arrest of three men associated with the white supremacist prison gang, European Kindred (EK). Arrests were made on 6 November after four search warrants were executed in Josephine County. Seized during the execution of the search warrants were over 30 illegally possessed firearms, over 100 pounds of dried marijuana, over 40 marijuana plants, methamphetamine, heroin, packaging material and scales. SOURCE: 9 November 2020, KTVL News

(U) Wisconsin - Man Charged with Supplying Gun Used in Deadly Protest

(U) Kenosha – Prosecutors charged Dominick Black, 19, with supplying the rifle used by an Illinois teen to kill two people during a protest over police brutality in August. Authorities allege Black asked his friend, 17-year-old Kyle Rittenhouse, of Illinois, to help him guard businesses in Kenosha from protesters the night of 25 August. Black and Rittenhouse went to Black's stepfather's house to get an assault-style rifle. Wisconsin law prohibits minors from carrying or possessing firearms unless they are hunting. SOURCE: 9 November 2020, Washington Times

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Belarus – Police Arrest 500 Protesters on 90th Day of Demonstrations

(U) Minsk – Police arrested more than 500 protesters on Sunday during the 90th consecutive day of demonstrations, demanding the resignation of the nation's allegedly fraudulent president. 548 people were reportedly arrested the protests. The Belarusian Association of Journalists reported at least nine journalists were arrested.

SOURCE: 9 November 2020, The Hill

(U) Indonesia - Suspected Terrorist with Alleged Ties to Jemaah Islamiyah Arrested

(U) Jakarta – Indonesia's anti-terror police arrested Ahmad Zaini, 45, a suspected terrorist with alleged ties to the al-Qa'ida-affiliated militant network Jemaah Islamiyah (JI), in the country's province of Banten. JI was behind the 2002 Bali bombings which killed more than 200 people on the Indonesian holiday island of Bali and was declared an illegal organization in 2018. SOURCE: 9 November 2020, The Star

(U) Turkey - Police Detain ISIS Members Planning to Kidnap Officials, Attack US Base

(U) Istanbul – Turkish police detained 36 suspected ISIS members in counterterrorism operations at 17 addresses in Istanbul and Adana provinces, with some suspects allegedly planning to kidnap lawmakers and bureaucrats, and attack the US Incirlik Air Base, according to a police statement. At least 2,000 people were arrested, and 7,000 others deported in operations against ISIS in Turkey in the past few years, while around 70,000 people have been denied entry into the country over suspected ISIS links. SOURCE: 9 November 2020, Daily Sabah

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